

Selected Agency Key Objectives at a Glance

Economy

Goal: Be a national leader in the preservation and enhancement of our economy.

- Assist companies that are making investments and creating jobs in Virginia
- Reduce economic disparity among Virginia communities
- Increase the employment rate for job seekers
- Reduce homelessness and increase housing affordability
- Improve customer service for new and growing businesses
- Increase financing for small businesses
- Promote tourism in Virginia

Education

Goal: Elevate the educational preparedness and attainment levels of our citizens.

- Increase the number of at-risk four-year-olds served by preschool initiatives
- Increase third-grade reading proficiency
- Provide quality education for children with sensory impairments
- Increase high school graduation rates; decrease dropout rates
- Increase the college and career readiness of high school students
- Increase enrollment in GED and post-secondary degree programs
- Enhance higher education access and affordability

Health

Goal: Inspire and support Virginians toward healthy lives and strong, resilient families.

- Promote safe and stable living situations for children and families
- Prevent child abuse
- Reduce obesity, smoking, infant mortality, and teenage pregnancy
- Increase immunization rates for children and elderly adults
- Maximize service delivery in community- and family-based settings
- Help individuals maintain employment and independence; promote self-sufficiency
- Increase children's access to health services

Public Safety

Goal: Protect the public's safety and security, ensure a fair & effective system of justice, and provide a prepared response to emergencies & disasters of all kinds.

- Reduce adult and juvenile recidivism
- Promote successful offender re-entry and compliance; improve offender education and workforce preparedness gains
- Improve response time to citizen calls for emergency services
- Educate the public on homeland security and overall preparedness matters
- Ensure appropriate, secure confinement and supervision of offenders
- Increase compliance with underage alcohol and tobacco laws

Natural, Historic & Cultural Resources

Goal: Protect, conserve and wisely develop our natural, cultural and historic resources.

- Improve and protect the quality of our air and water
- Conserve and protect open land
- Provide outstanding state park facilities, services, and programs
- Recognize and help protect historic resources
- Conserve and manage sustainable commercial and recreational fisheries
- Improve and increase access to museum exhibits and educational programs

Transportation

Goal: Ensure Virginia has a transportation system that is safe, allows the easy movement of people and goods, enhances the economy, and improves our quality of life.

- Maintain, improve, and develop public transportation systems in Virginia
- Maintain, improve, and develop railways
- Complete transportation construction and maintenance projects on time and on budget
- Increase the amount of cargo shipped through the Port of Virginia
- Decrease the number of traffic fatalities
- Reduce customer wait times at DMV service centers

Government & Citizens

Goal: Be recognized as the best-managed state in the nation.

- Develop a financially sound budget and enhance compliance with internal controls
- Increase voter registration & participation
- Issue tax refunds and respond to taxpayer inquiries in a timely manner
- Enhance energy efficiency in state government operations
- Maintain the highest possible level of service at Virginia's veteran care centers
- Increase the effectiveness of information technology oversight and monitoring
- Provide high-level customer service to state and local agencies and employees

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